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The Incarnate Christ

by Brian C. Stiller,
President, Tyndale College & Seminary

Eugene Peterson gives new meaning to the wording of Christ's coming with his paraphrase, "he moved into our neighborhood" (John 1:14).

In my boyhood community, tucked between Bedford Road Collegiate just one house to the east, and Westmount Public School one block to the west, Jesus lived. From sandlot baseball to 20-below-zero outdoor hockey, to my 185-customer paper route–that's where Jesus lived. Across the South Saskatchewan River was where (at least in the 1950s) the more upscale people lived. Yes, I could imagine Jesus living there. But John says He moved into "our neighborhood," the blue-collar neighborhood of my boyhood years.

Sometimes I sense that we privately believe Jesus' coming was mystical, not so different from something like the fantasy rhetoric of the spaceship *Enterprise*, "Beam me up, Scotty." But all you have to do is walk into Manger Square in Bethlehem and see the soldiers of the Palestinian Authority and recall that Jesus' birthplace is not something romantic or mythical, removed from human tension and heartache. Then and today, whether surrounded by the Roman army or the Jewish/Palestinian tensions, the neighborhood into which Jesus moved and lived is very real.

So too was the world of His growing up. Real blood flowed when the chisel in His father's carpentry shop slipped

Brian C. Stiller

and cut His hand. When racing along with the soccer ball and tripped by an opponent, the pain of the fall was real.

We fail our children, our world and ourselves when we allow the romantic glitter to overtake Advent. Succumbing to pretense damages our sense of meaning, replacing it with a sense of non-reality: much as what I view in medieval Christian art. The flat faces and hallowed images with wing-fluttering child-angels suggest that the God-in-the-flesh Jesus was anything but what was portrayed.

There are times when I wonder if Christians should just boycott Christmas and let the pagan-driven materialism of gift-getting run the entire season. My reasoning is that this would not only be a radical protest against our hybrid Christian-pagan annual ritual, but it would also call us to more carefully understand what it means for Jesus to move into our neighborhood.

As much as this may seem bold and courageous, I realize that as false as this time is for many people, it is into this same neighborhood that Jesus also comes. There is something quite wonderful that overtakes people during this season. There is a noticeable gentleness with which we treat each other. Too short-lived and superficial for sure, but it's better that we have Jesus the Christ enter into the fleeting consciousness of our culture at least temporarily than not at all.

What we do know is that the continuity of Jesus is not in the memory of the first Advent but in the ongoing presence of His reality as you and I move in our own neighborhoods. I never cease to be amazed at this most unique of Christian realities; that is, Jesus' presence continues by making our very bodies and lives His own dwelling place.

Jesus never left this world. He ascended, but He is linked into continuity by His Spirit taking residence in us. So His moving "into our neighborhood" goes on and on and on.

Brian C. Stiller hosts Cross Currents, Monday to Friday at 8:30 a.m. on CTS.

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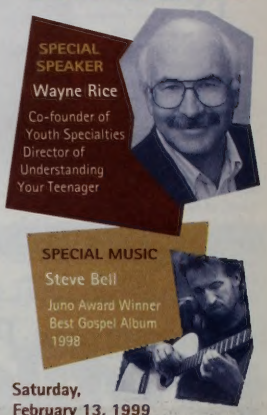
TODAY'S TEENS CONFERENCE



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Nov. 20:	Sounds of Joy Fundraising Concert, Tyndale College & Seminary, 7:30 pm
Nov. 29:	Rexford Presbyterian Church, Scarborough, 10:30 am Bethel Baptist Church, Toronto, 6:30 pm
Dec. 5:	Toronto United Brethren in Christ Annual WMF Potluck Supper, Etobicoke, 7:30 pm
Dec. 13:	Miliken Chinese Community Church, Scarborough, 9:15 & 11:15 am Calvary Gospel Church, Welland, 6:30 pm
Jan. 17:	St. Patrick's Anglican Church, Willowdale, 10:30 am Guelph Bible Chapel, Guelph, 6:30 pm
Jan. 31:	Scarborough Gospel Temple, Scarborough, 9:00 am and 11:00 am
Feb. 7:	Humberville Baptist Church, Etobicoke, 11:15 am
Feb. 21:	Waterford Baptist Church, Waterford, 11:00 am and 6:30 pm

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CHRISTIAN HERITAGE TOUR OF BRITAIN

Bill McRae, President Emeritus/Minister at Large, and his wife Marilyn will be hosting a Christian Heritage Tour of England, Scotland and Wales from May 20 - June 5, 1999. This 17 day tour will include many places and people of historic significance in English Christianity, including William Tyndale, whom the school has been named after. Contact Bill McRae at ext. 6730 for more information.

PRE-MARRIAGE SEMINAR

Marriage preparation courses are offered March 5-6, 1999 (option 1) and May 14-15, 1999 (option 2). They take place Friday, 7-10 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. The cost is $95 per couple. This course is led by Sheila and Paul Stevens. Call ext. 2122 for more details.

THE STALEY LECTURES

The annual Staley Lectures will be held February 2-4, 1999 on campus in Hooper Chapel. These lectures are sponsored by the generosity of the Thomas F. Staley Foundation. A free public lecture will be given on Wednesday, February 3rd from 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Call Wendy Mason at ext. 2151 for further details.

ART EXHIBIT

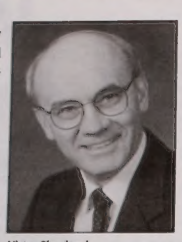
Works by Stephen Yau will be on display at Tyndale College & Seminary from November 5th - 30th between 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. During the past 20 years Yau has established himself as one of Asia's finest watercolour artists. He has been hailed as a genius of light, shadow and reflection.

DCP UPDATE

The Degree Completion Program is underway with 13 students currently enrolled. "We've had a terrific beginning. I'm looking forward to a new group of students in January," says Nita Stemmler, DCP Program Director. If you would like to register, contact Nita at ext. 2738.

On Trial: The Incarnation of Christ

"Bermuda Bombshell" is how The United Church of Canada's magazine described the recent judgement against the denomination. (See *OBSERVER*, September 1998) On March 2nd Dr. Victor Shepherd, United Church minister and occupant of Tyndale Seminary's Chair of Wesley Studies, appeared before the Supreme Court of Bermuda as expert witness concerning the theology of John Wesley.



Victor Shepherd

The congregation of Grace, Methodist from the turn of the century but under the jurisdiction of The United Church since 1930, wanted to secede from the denomination on account of the latter's anti-biblical stance on several crucial issues, among which were The United Church's ten-year endorsement of same-gender sexual activity, as well as Moderator William Phipps's persistent denial of the Incarnation last autumn.

The congregation's deed states that the church property is vested with the trustees on the condition that "the teaching of the late Rev. Mr. John Wesley be upheld." The people of Grace wanted only to withdraw from the denomination and, with untrammeled access to their building, continue to worship in the venue from which they had praised God for a century.

In the week-long trial Shepherd argued that (1) the Twenty-Five Articles of Faith of the Basis of Union (the doctrinal statement of The United Church) and the Twenty-Four Articles of Religion (Wesley's doctrinal statement for all Methodists) are congruent; (2) for the past ten years The United Church of Canada has violated its own doctrinal basis; (3) in doing so it has violated the doctrinal basis of Methodism according to the teaching of John Wesley; (4) for this reason the congregation of Grace should be allowed to secede from the denomination with property, since the congregation (and its trustees) upholds Wesley's doctrine while The United Church does not.

It was the first time the denomination as a whole has been put on trial doctrinally. In June, three months after the trial, the judge pronounced that The United Church continues to contradict its own doctrinal basis. The congregation has seceded with property, an unprecedented development for The United Church. Says Shepherd, "This judgement appears to be the most significant legal defeat ever sustained by Canada's largest Protestant denomination."

Transitions Program profile

by Laurie Chong

Teresa Koornneef has beaten the odds many times.

When she was in grade nine, school officials convinced her parents to withdraw her from classes, insisting that she would be better off in trade school. Koornneef's parents fought for their daughter to be put back in high school and after graduating, she went on to study for her Registered Nursing Assistant's qualifications at Durham College. Four years later, she decided to switch careers and enrolled at Humber College to become an ambulance attendant. Koornneef thrived in the program and graduated with honours in 1980. Her latest academic venture is at Tyndale College, in the Transitions program.

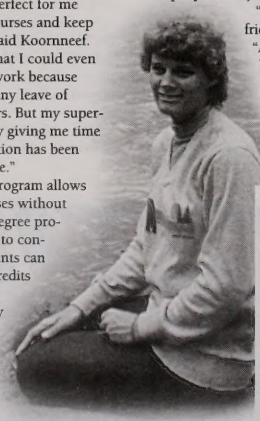
"This program's perfect for me because I can take courses and keep working full time," said Koornneef. "At first, I doubted that I could even get time away from work because they hadn't granted any leave of absences for five years. But my supervisor surprised me by giving me time off. This whole situation has been really awesome for me."

The Transitions program allows students to take classes without being enrolled in a degree program. If they decide to continue studying, students can then use completed credits toward a degree. Koornneef is presently taking a literature class and an Old Testament course.

Koornneef's childhood experience with church was a very negative one.

"It was very legalistic. I never once heard about God's love or grace. There was only a lot of condemnation." It would be years later that she would experience a different kind of church.

Four years ago, while attending the funeral of Constable Todd Baylis, a Metro Toronto Police officer killed in the line of duty, she was struck by the warmth of the people at Bayview Glen Church.



"The people were really friendly," said Koornneef. "And I thought it was big enough for me to slip in and out on Sundays. But every week, people would approach me to talk."

Although the church was receptive to her, it took two years for Koornneef to open up in turn.

"I had a lot of hurt from the past and I had built a wall around me," said Koornneef. "I didn't trust anyone, not even God."

Enrolling at the college was the result of a lot of prayer and counsel from friends regarding her future. "My job is physically stressful, so I knew I couldn't be an attendant for the rest of my life."

Koornneef is interested in completing a Bachelor's degree and perhaps going on to study counselling at the seminary. But she doesn't want to look that far ahead.

"Right now, I'm learning not to get upset over one exam, let alone worry about a degree!"

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For more information, contact Elizabeth Davey, Transitions Program Director at ext. 6713.

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New Student Brings Wealth of Life Experiences to Tyndale Studies

by Rich Hutchings

Enrolling at Tyndale College & Seminary is just the latest in a series of life adventures for Sharon Sorensen, a 51-year-old single parent who describes herself as an "A-Type" personality and "risk-taker."

Sharon's résumé reads like a Who's Who of interesting experiences. Half a dozen years following her divorce 17 years ago, the High Park resident went back to school. Entering teacher's college at age 40, she subsequently graduated and spent two years teaching French immersion to Grade 1 children on a Native Indian reserve in northern British Columbia.

While Sharon's original career pursuits included journalism, broadcasting and film, she said recently that she "chose the teaching profession because I was a single parent and I thought that this was the job that would help me have more time with my children, to have the same time off as they did."

Sharon is currently a Grade 5/6 teacher at Gledhill Public School, East York, where she has been teaching for the past five years. She has three children: Mark, 26; Tiara, 24; and Jesse, 21. Her youngest daughter Joeli, who would have been 20 on October 19, 1998, died of leukemia at age 4 1/2.

"I wasn't a Christian when I was in broadcasting," recalls Sharon, who has known the Lord for 24 years. In addition to stints as a radio DJ in Montréal and Vancouver, over the years she has worked as a music programmer, freelance newspaper and journal writer, correspondent for a pop magazine in Toronto, model, and actress. On radio, she has interviewed the likes of Cat Stevens and Alice Cooper.

"Now that my children are older, I'm looking to get back into my original career, in Christian broadcasting or something related," said Sharon. "I hope I can phase myself into it at least part-time."

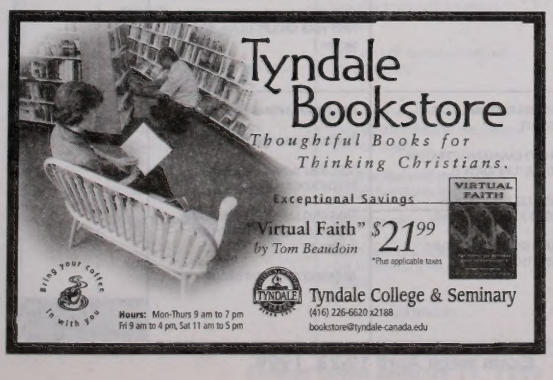
Sharon is also an avid cyclist, and as a member of the Toronto "Spokes" of the International Christian Cycling Club, she often participates in extensive rides, between 40 and 100 kilometers, and duathlons and triathlons.

Sharon is just as active at Stone Church, where she attends, teaching aerobics classes and hosting weekly prayer and worship times in her home. Under her leadership, the group has been involved in prayer walks, feeding the homeless, retreats, and Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners.

Sharon said she decided to pursue Masters-level studies at Tyndale after committing the matter to prayer over the last couple of years. Finally, she felt that the Lord was leading her to the pastoral stream at Tyndale.

"It's not because I intend to be a pastor. However, in the past I've had numerous opportunities to serve in a pastoral capacity in a variety of camps and prison settings and I expect I will again in the future."

Recalling that she has lost both a husband and a daughter, Sharon admitted that her life has not been easy, but said that her faith in God has helped her endure. "My faith has deepened through a lot of trials that I've experienced and it will continue to be enriched through my studies," says Sharon. "I'll just keep turning everything over to God, making him my all in all and trust that he will fulfill me for whatever lies ahead."



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- understanding of theological education
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For more information, or to submit a detailed Curriculum Vitae, please contact:

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OFF THE SHELF

Virtual Faith: The Irreverent Spiritual Quest of Generation X

Tom Beaudoin

To a forty-something "old geezer," Tom Beaudoin's book, *Virtual Faith* proved to be both fascinating and enlightening to me. Beaudoin shows himself to be a reliable guide for those of us wanting a tour of the religious landscape of what has come to be called Generation X, people born roughly between 1960 and 1980.

The book offers a portrait of cultural factors that have formed the generation under study. For instance, Beaudoin points out that TV has had an even more profound effect upon Gen Xers than upon the previous generation of Boomers. While the Boomers of my generation certainly consumed mass quantities of television, Gen Xers, says Beaudoin, consumed with greater freedom and less discrimination. Gen Xers grew up to a greater extent in single parent families or with both parents working. They were a generation of latch key kids, often left to decide for themselves what to watch and when. As a result they have been most profoundly shaped by popular culture.

Beaudoin also analyzes how media events such as the explosion of the space shuttle, *Challenger* (replayed time and time again), *The Day After* (a TV nuclear disaster film), and the movie *Kramer vs. Kramer* have shaped and typified this generation through a recurring theme of absence.

Beaudoin explores such diverse topics as grunge clothing, body piercing, the Internet, and especially music videos, in his analysis of Generation X spirituality. While Beaudoin overanalyzes Gen Xers, he does provide constructive suggestions for the church today ministering amongst these people. The author's discussion helps in understanding a generation that, like every generation, needs to hear the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

John Michael Rottman

Andrew Bronson

This issue's review is done for us by John Rottman, a pastor and part-time lecturer in preaching at the seminary. John tackles the much bantered topic of Gen X, the most unchurched generation to exist. Yet Gen X, for all its lack of participation in organized religion, remains more interested in spirituality than previous generations. For Gen X, community is more important than institutions, ambiguity and paradox is preferred over rationalized explanations of faith, and identification is made with a suffering Jesus as opposed to a Jesus who leads to self improvement. Perhaps if we can begin to understand Gen Xers, they can teach us all some very important lessons.

Andrew Bronson,
Tyndale Bookstore Manager

INTER-SESSION

January 4 - 8, 1999
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

COLLEGE LEVEL

Classes are three credit hours unless otherwise stated.

Passion for the Scriptur :: The Bible and the Community of Faith
BIBL LE11
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Home Again: Studies in Old Testament Restoration Literature BIBL 0211
Wyper

Personal Evangelism: Sharing God's Story in a Postmodern Culture
GMIN 0200
McLaverty

Introduction to Political Thought
SOSC 0320
Clemenger

SEMINARY LEVEL

Classes are four credit hours unless otherwise stated.

The Charismatic Theology of Luke-Acts
PENT 0503
Stronstad

World Religions
THEO 0737
Beverley
and Melton

Urban Missions and Evangelism
KORN 0589
Hwang

Team Ministry: A Blueprint for Christian Leadership
PAST 0849
Dennison

Ministries of Worship
WORS 0607
Schwanda

Strategies for Research
INTD 0586
Kessler, Finlayson, Rendle (2 credits)

JOINT COURSE

The Youth Pastor as Leader YOUT 0213/ YMIN 0791
Fawcett

SPRING & SUMMER CLASSES 1999

COLLEGE LEVEL

Classes are three credit hours unless otherwise stated.

Heartsongs: Understanding Church Music
Mr. Roger Bergs
May 3 - June 9
Monday and Wednesday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

The Church in the World
Dr. David Russell
May 3 - 7
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Understanding the Old Testament II
Mr. Glenn Wyper
May 3 - June 9
Monday and Wednesday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

I Corinthians
Dr. Allan Martens
May 4 - June 10
Tuesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Issues in Contemporary Culture
Janet Clark
May 4 - June 10
Tuesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Integrative Theology: Salvation
Dr. Robert Duez
May 4 - June 10
Tuesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Writing Redemptive Fiction
Joanne Gerber
Arts Festival Week
June 14 - 18
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Proverbs and Ecclesiastes
Mr. Glenn Wyper
June 21 - July 28
Monday and Wednesday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Understanding the New Testament
Stephen Thomson
June 22 - July 29
Tuesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Major Streams in Christian Spirituality
Ruth Copland
July 5 - 12
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

See also Joint Courses

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SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Cultivation of Sagehood Spirituality: East and West
Dr. Milton Wan
May 4 - June 10
Tuesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Finding your Way: Principles of Spiritual Direction
Dr. David Sherbino
May 9 - 14
Sunday to Friday, Retreat
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Spirituality and Experiences of Joy and Suffering
Annette Dekker
July 5 - 9
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
(also Counselling course)

Prayer Paths to God
Dr. Charles Nienkirchen
June 21 - 25
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Healing and Spiritual Warfare
Dr. Charles Kraft
June 21 - 25
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Roots of Evangelical Spirituality
Dr. Bruce Hindmarsh
August 2 - 6
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Spaces of the Heart: Dynamics and Disciplines of Spirituality
Dr. Charles Neinkirchen
August 16 - 20
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WORSHIP

Renewal of Sunday Worship
Dr. Robert Webber
May 24 - 28
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Services of the Year
Dr. Jack Van Marion
August 2 - 6
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

COUNSELLING

Professional Ethics
Dr. Brian Cunnington
May 8, 15, 29,
June 5, 12
Saturday
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Issues in Psychopathology and Mental Health
Dr. Kathy Lawrence
May 31 - June 4
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Aging and the Family Life Cycle: A Multi-System Perspective
Dr. Tamara Horton
June 7 - 11
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Research Methods and Statistics for Marriage and Family Counselling
Dr. Rochelle Cole
June 21 - 25
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

CHINESE STUDIES

Cultivation of Sagehood Spirituality: East and West
Dr. Milton Wan
May 4 - June 10
Tuesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Christianity and Chinese Literature
Dr. Anthony Chan
May 6 - July 29
Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9: 30 p.m.

Major Chinese Theologians
Dr. Wing Hung Lam
May 24 - 28
Monday to Friday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
(2 credits)

BIBLE, HISTORY AND THEOLOGY

History of Christianity I
Donald Goertz
May 3 - June 9
Monday and Wednesday
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Interpreting and Applying the Biblical Text
Dr. Robert Webb
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Theology of John Calvin
Dr. Victor Shepherd
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Tuesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Basic Christian Doctrine
Dr. Dennis Ngien
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Old Testament Theology and History
Dr. Barbara Lai
May 4 - June 10
Tuesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

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TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30 - 11:30	BIBL LE08 WHO IS JESUS: A STUDY IN THE GOSPELS (THOMSON) LEADING EDGE GROUP ONLY GMIN 0207 CHILD DEVELOPMENT (POSTERSKI) GMIN 0313 COUNSELLING ISSUES (STEVENS) LITR 0271 RELIGIOUS THEMES IN LITERATURE (WHALEN)	THEO LE07 INTRODUCTION TO THEOLOGICAL STUDIES (HUSBANDS) LEADING EDGE GROUP ONLY THEO 0222 THEOLOGICAL STUDIES II (DUEZ) LANG 0376 INTERMEDIATE HEBREW GRAMMAR (KESSLER) Time 10:00 to 11:30 HIST 0325 MODERN EUROPE (FRIESEN)	LITR LE09 LITERATURE, ART, AND THE MORAL IMAGINATION (DAVEY) LEADING EDGE GROUP ONLY BIBL 0209 BIBLICAL HERMENEUTICS (WYPER) LANG 0111 INTRODUCTION TO COLLEGE ESSAY WRITING (RITCH) HIST 0104 HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY (FRIESEN) GMIN 0202 SUPERVISED TEACHING (POSTERSKI)	GMIN LE10 COMPARATIVE RELIGIONS (SCOTT) LEADING EDGE COURSE OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS BIBL 0102 UNDERSTANDING THE OLD TESTAMENT II (WYPER) HIST 0442 HISTORY SEMINAR - HISTORIOGRAPHY (FRIESEN) BIBL 0206 GALATIANS (THOMSON) LANG 0376 INTERMEDIATE HEBREW GRAMMAR (KESSLER) Time 10:00 to 11:30	BIBL 0104 ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (PENNER) YOUT 0216 CHURCH YOUTH MINISTRY (WILKINSON) GMIN 0105 ADOLESCENT AND ADULT DEVELOPMENT (TBA) LITR 0171 INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH LITERATURE (DAVEY)
11:45 - 12:45		CHAPEL	PRESIDENT'S CHAPEL	CHAPEL	
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Apologetics
Dr. Gary Habermas
May 10 - 14
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Old Testament Prophets
Dr. Don Leggett
May 10 - 21
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Pivotal Passages: Getting to Know God Through the Old Testament
Dr. Don Leggett
May 10 - 21
Monday to Friday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

I & II Thessalonians
Dr. Desmond Ford
June 7 - 11
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

History of Christianity II
Donald Goertz
June 21 - July 28
Monday and Wednesday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Daniel
Dr. Edith Humphrey
July 19 - 23
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Gospel of John
Dr. Kevin Quast
August 2 - 6
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

I Corinthians
Dr. Kevin Quast
August 9 - 13
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Family Feud or Desirable Diversity: Varieties of Protestantism
Dr. David Bushardt
August 9 - 13
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Nature and Technology in the Christian Perspective
Dr. Daniel Westberg
August 9 - 13
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

PENTECOSTAL STUDIES

Pentecostal Theology
Dr. William Griffin
August 9 - 13
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

PASTORAL STUDIES

Blended Preaching: Reaching Seekers Without Starving the Faithful
Dr. John Rottman
May 3 - June 9
Monday and Wednesday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Preaching to the Postmodern Mind
Dr. Kent Edwards
June 7 - 11
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Advanced Preaching
Dr. Nelson Annan
June 14 - July 29
Monday and Wednesday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
(no class July 12 & 14)

Vocation, Work and Ministry
Dr. Paul Stevens
August 2 - 6
Monday to Friday
3:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Revitalizing the Established Church
Dr. Henry Wildeboer
August 2 - 6
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Church Planting and Growth in the Korean Context
Dr. Tom Hwang
August 2 - 6
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

INTERCULTURAL STUDIES

A Christian Perspective on Islam
Dr. Wafik Wahba
May 3 - June 10
Monday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Issues in Missionary Spiritual and Psychological Health
Dr. Glen Taylor
May 4 - June 10
Tuesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Mission Strategies in the Korean Perspective
Dr. Tom Hwang
May 24 - 28
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Healing and Spiritual Warfare
Dr. Charles Kraft
June 21 - 25
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Church Planting in a Multicultural Context
Mr. Alvin Nicholson
July 5 - 9
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Church Planting in the Korean Context
Dr. Tom Hwang
August 2 - 6
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Independent Study
Bill Freeman
May 3 - June 9
Monday and Wednesday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Understanding the Exceptional Learner
Sharon Jewett
August 9 - 13
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

JOINT COURSES

Revelation
Dr. Roy Matheson
May 10 - 14
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Radical & Dissenting Christianity
Mr. Brad Walton
May 4 - June 10
Tuesday and Thursday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Christian Education: Millennial and X Generations
Marlene Lefever
June 21 - June 25
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Church Planting in a Multicultural Context
Mr. Alvin Nicholson
July 5 - 9
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Exploring the Revolution: Trends in Youth Ministry
Dr. Mark Senter III
August 2 - 6
Monday to Friday
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Greek I & II
Dr. Erwin Penner
July 26 - August 27
Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Theological Foundations of TESL
Marilyn O'Donnell
May 3 - June 9
Monday and Wednesday
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

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TBA
July 26 - August 27
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TYNDALE SEMINARY SCHEDULE, WINTER 1999

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30 - 11:30	YMIN 0697 COMMUNICATION IN YOUTH MINISTRY (MARTIN) MISS 0686 FOLK RELIGIONS AND RELIGIOUS ENCOUNTER (WHITT) PAST 0546 WORSHIP AND LITURGY (SHERBINO) PAST 0645 EVANGELISM IN THE LOCAL CHURCH (MCLAVERTY)	COUN 0677 FAMILY SYSTEMS THEORY (CUNNINGTON) OLDT 0612 INTERMEDIATE HEBREW GRAMMAR (KESSLER) Time 10:00 to 11:30 INTD 0585 COMPUTER ASSISTED BIBLICAL AND THEOLOGICAL RESEARCH (HAHNE) MISS 0687 DOING THEOLOGY IN CONTEXT (WHITT) SMIN 0002 SUPERVISED MINISTRY LARGE GROUP SESSION (A. AND J. GRILLS) Section 2	THEO 0530 BASIC CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE (VISSERS) LIMIT 60 OLDT 0714 INSIGHTS FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT ON ETHICAL ISSUES (LEGGETT) CHURCH PLANTING (DENBOK) THEO 0737 WORLD RELIGIONS (BEVERLEY) PAST 0745 ADVANCED PREACHING (ROTTMAN) LIMIT 20	COUN 0573 COUNSELLING FOUNDATIONS II (CUNNINGTON) CHED 0692 PARENTS AND ADOLESCENTS (FREEMAN) COUN 0773 COUPLE COUNSELLING (HURLBURT) THEO 633 WESLEY (SHEPHERD) OLDT 0612 INTERMEDIATE HEBREW GRAMMAR (KESSLER) Time 10:00 to 11:30 NEWT 0622 ROMANS (JOHNSON)	NEWT 0723 CORINTHIANS (MARTENS) NEWT 0726 GOSPEL OF JOHN (HAHNE) THEO 0534 CHRISTIAN APOLOGETICS (BEVERLEY)
11:45 - 12:45		CHAPEL	PRESIDENT'S CHAPEL	CHAPEL	
1:30 - 4:30	NEWT 0524 EXEGETICAL METHOD II (MATHESON) THEO 0535 CHRISTIAN ETHICS (GREENMAN) YMIN 0592 YOUTH MINISTRY IN THE CHURCH (POWELL) PENT 0502 PASTORAL THEOLOGY: A PENTECOSTAL PERSPECTIVE (JOHNSON) PAST 0641 INTRODUCTION TO PREACHING (EDWARDS) NEWT 0623 NEW TESTAMENT BOOK STUDY FROM GREEK TEXT (PENNER)	NEWT 0322 ELEMENTARY GREEK II (PENNER) COUN 0004 COUNSELLING SKILLS LAB II (STEVENS & DAVIS) OLDT 0512 OLD TESTAMENT PROPHETS (LEGGETT) MISS 0586 THEOLOGY OF MISSION (SONG) OLDT 0511 OT THEOLOGY AND HISTORY (KESSLER)		BIBL 0501 INTERPRETING AND APPLYING THE BIBLICAL TEXT (LAI) NOTE FIRST CLASS ON JANUARY 21 COUN 0772 MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPY I (CUNNINGTON) CHED 0552 THEORIES OF TEACHING AND LEARNING (FREEMAN) THEO 0631 ADVANCED CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE – THE TRINITY (NGIEN) MISS 0663 HISTORY OF MISSIONS (MCLEOD) OLDT 0712 OLD TESTAMENT EXEGESIS II (KESSLER)	
6:30 - 9:30	MISS 0788 URBAN MINISTRY II (TOBIAS) LIMIT 15 PAST 0543 ADMINISTRATIVE AND PLANNING SKILLS (MATHEWSON) MTS MODULAR GROUPS	CHIN 602 PASTORING IN THE CHINESE CHURCH (KAO) TESL 0330 TEACHING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (O'DONNELL) OLDT 0614 ISAIAH (LEGGETT) COUN 0672 HUMAN SEXUALITY AND THE THERAPEUTIC RELATIONSHIP (POON) MTS MODULAR GROUPS	SMIN 0002 SUPERVISED MINISTRY LARGE GROUP SESSION (A. AND J. GRILLS) Section 1 BIBL 0501 INTERPRETING AND APPLYING THE BIBLICAL TEXT (HAHNE)	HIST 0562 HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY II (GOERTZ) NEWT 0522 NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY & HISTORY (MATHESON) SPIR 0542 FOUNDATIONS OF CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY (SHERBINO) AT OAKVILLE	ISSUES, STRATEGIES, AND DIRECTIONS IN NORTH AMERICAN CHINESE CHURCHES (TSENG & LAI) FRIDAYS 6:30 TO 9:30 PM AND SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13 AND MARCH 13, 9:00 TO 4:00.

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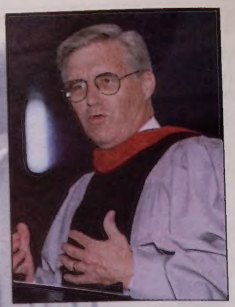
Convocation

Dr. Jeffrey P. Greenman was inaugurated as the seminary's fourth Academic Dean at Convocation chapel on campus September 16th. In his address to students, faculty, family members and staff, Jeff shared his vision for programming excellence at the seminary which would nurture students in all areas of development, and particularly those of spiritual formation, ministry preparation and academic excellence. Said Greenman, "This will be a community where all will grow as people whose desires, values, and life-orientation has been organized around honoring and glorifying Christ."

Guest speaker Rev. Gary Walsh, president of Evangelical Fellowship of Canada, further challenged the assembly with his words, "For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ... let your love for God include your mind. Let your devotion to God include the library."

Dr. Jeffrey P. Greenman with wife Janet and President Stiller.

Dr. John Vissers (with wife Lynn) steps down as interim Academic Dean of the Seminary.



Rev. Gary Walsh, Guest Speaker

Dean Pat Webb, Dean Pat McGee, and Acting V.P. of Student Development Barbara Haycraft are acknowledged.

Community Lunch

Tyndale's first annual fundraising golf tournament was held under sunny skies at beautiful Cherry Downs Golf and Country Club in Pickering, Ontario on September 19, 1998. Celebrity sportsman and friend of the school, Paul Henderson, added his special brand of energy to the event. Costs for the tournament were underwritten by generous donations. Over $10,000 was raised for school support.

Seminary Alumni profile

by Ian Rennie, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Seminary

Nine out of the ten full-time ministerial staff of Richmond Hill Chinese Community Church are alumni of Tyndale Seminary. The RHCCC congregation was planted by Sam Chan in 1985 and now has four Sunday services–two Cantonese, one Mandarin and one English–with a regular weekly attendance of 1650 (1300 adults and 350 children). Conversion growth averages 5% each year, and already this year over sixty have professed faith in Jesus Christ.

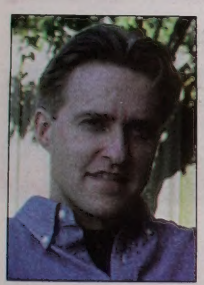
The Corporate Alumni of Richmond Hill Chinese Community Church (L - R) Back row: Rev. Samuel Chan (MDiv '82), Fred Tham (MDiv '96), Philip Wong (MDiv '98), Samuel Kwok (MDiv '97). Front row: Mary Wong (MDiv '91), Rev. Simon Wong (MDiv '93), Rev. Kai Mark (MDiv '86), Linda Shum (Completing MDiv). Missing: Sylvia Li (MDiv '98).

It is important to consider some of the reasons for such an effective ministry. One is that, even as a student, Sam was serving as an assistant to a mature and very productive senior pastor, Dr. John Kao of Toronto Chinese Community Church. Sam mentions the joy shared by all the staff that God has called them into public ministry. "Ministry is very enjoyable," he says. He also indicates that they see this as a singular time of opportunity to reach Chinese people with the gospel of Jesus Christ. God has put them in this place at this time and they give themselves wholeheartedly to fulfilling this ministry. Sam is also a gifted and able leader. One small example is that when I phoned him and told him the information I desired, I suggested he set a time in the next week when I could phone again. His response was: 'Phone back in ten minutes,' and when I did he had everything I needed at his fingertips. Such leaders draw gifted and able staff, and together they exalt Jesus Christ where they have been called to minister.

It is also instructive to see that there is vision for the future. This is indicated by the fact that two graduates of the class of '98 have been hired as Pastoral Interns. And since interns, with such a favoured background, will soon move on to become senior pastors in their own right, it means that Richmond Hill Chinese Community Church also has a vision which encompasses the wider Church. They also have a vision for evangelism, working and trusting God that the annual 5% conversion growth will soon be 10%.

College Student profile

by Laurie Chong



Oskars Arajs

Oskars Arajs learned a very valuable lesson three years ago.

"Around 1995, I began praying to God asking what *He* wanted me to do instead of doing what I wanted to do," said the Bachelor of Religious Education post-diploma student. "Up until then, I was very frustrated with my life and the direction that it was going in."

Born in Sao Paulo, Brazil, Arajs moved to Toronto at the age of eight, as his father accepted a job as pastor of a Latvian Baptist Church in the city. Although exposed to Christianity all his life, it wasn't until his late teens that Arajs became a Christian.

"At 17, I had a hunger for Scripture that I never had before," remembers Arajs. "God revealed Himself to me in a special way." After graduating from high school, Arajs attended RCC electronics college for two years and then began his career at IBM.

"When I started working, everything seemed to fall into place. I was quite ambitious but I soon realized that to advance in the company, I had to have a university degree," said Arajs. "At the time I was using the *My Utmost for His Highest* devotional (by Oswald Chambers) and it taught me that I needed to surrender completely to God and let Him know that I would go where He would take me. After much prayer and contemplation, I began to have a real peace about going back to school. This time not to pursue my ambitions but God's plans for my life."

Arajs is presently involved with Tyndale's music team, *Sounds of Joy*, and toured with them earlier this year in Eastern Canada. Over the years, he has developed his worship leading skills and has become involved with various musical services. Arajs will graduate in the spring and plans to attend the seminary in the fall to begin his Master of Divinity in pastoral studies.

"I don't know exactly what God has for me, but I know I'm finally on the right track," said Arajs. "I do see a real need in the apologetics area. People have a lot of questions and we need to give them good answers."

Country Fair

A great time was had by all at Tyndale's annual Country Fair. Special thanks to our generous sponsors:

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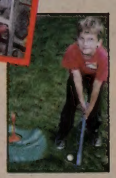
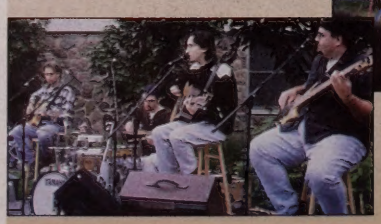
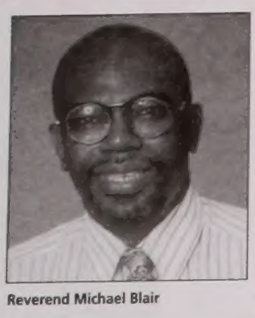




The Reverend Michael Blair: *Our Man in the City*

by **Paul Friesen**, Chair of the Humanities & Social Sciences and Professor of History, College

One could say that the stories of the Reverend Michael Blair and Tyndale College are closely intertwined. Blair graduated from the college (BTh '81), has served on the board of Tyndale, and has been the Pastoral Team Leader since 1995 of the historic, downtown Toronto Walmer Road Baptist Church–a church closely connected to Tyndale from the college's birth in 1894 until its move to Willowdale in 1976.



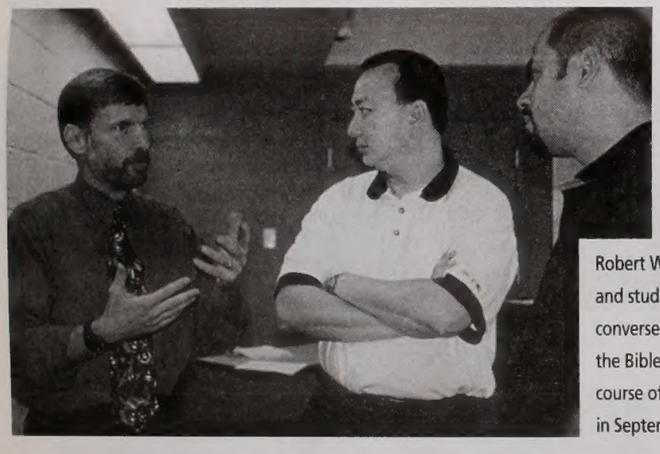
Reverend Michael Blair

By 1985 Blair had completed a BA in Psychology (University of Waterloo) and a Master of Religion (Wycliffe College, Toronto). After serving as pastor of Baptist churches in St. Catharines and west Toronto, Blair worked with students through Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship at the Scarborough campus of the University of Toronto. And today he obviously feels a passion for ministry in the centre of the city, on Walmer Road.

Blair describes Walmer Road Baptist as a church with a history of strong lay leaders and a strong social conscience–not of course, to the exclusion of worship and evangelism. Like other large churches that remained in the core of the city instead of heading for the suburbs, Walmer's congregation and neighbourhood is diverse now–in ethnicity, income, age, and denominational background.

Is it significant that a black pastor, raised in Jamaica, is the leader of this important community? Blair is slow to accept personal praise, but agrees that his ministry is encouraging to the black community in the city, whether in black or multicultural churches. He points out that few black leaders are coming forward from Canadian churches, and that systemic problems in evangelical education are not yet fully resolved.

Yet Blair is optimistic: the congregation at Walmer has begun to celebrate its diversity in recent years, instead of trying to maintain a 'one size fits all' attitude. The church has affirmed a new direction after a year of self-examination: expensive repairs to a very old building, and more significantly perhaps, internal renovations to accommodate its new Christian vision. The church's famous and beautiful sanctuary (with its 'blended' 11:00 a.m. worship and 'fellowship space') will remain intact, but it will be only one point of entry into the Walmer community. The new 'Walmer Centre' will provide renovated space for community groups and a community theatre–all 'doorways' into a body that invites its neighbours to meet Jesus Christ as Saviour.



Robert Webb and students converse during the Bible Basics course offered in September.

God in Jesus, Jesus in Us!

by **Erwin Penner**, Department Chair of Bible & Theology and Professor of New Testament, College

"It's a boy!" The birth of Jesus was hardly noticed. Apart from a few people on the inside track, an angelic message to some shepherds, and an unusually brilliant star, it drew little attention. The birth of a baby in the occupied land of Palestine was an insignificant event. It may have been local news for the interested, but it didn't rate attention in the larger concerns of the Roman Empire.

Nevertheless, it was an event of monumental proportions in human history. In the larger purposes of God, the birth of Jesus was timely and defining. Paul put it this way, "But when the right time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law" (Gal 4:3). In fact, the angelic messenger told Joseph that the child to be born would be named "Immanuel," which means "God is with us" (Matt 1:23). This is an astounding claim indeed! How can it be that God, whom heaven itself cannot contain, should become human and live here on earth among us (John 1:14)? Surely this is a miracle equal in stature to that of one rising from the dead!

Erwin Penner

But it is not so much the miracle itself, as the wonder of it, that draws our attention. Why would God do this? Why forego his heavenly splendor and glory to take the humbler path of human existence ending in death (Phil 2:6-8)? Why did God choose to lower and confine Himself in the incarnation of His Son? Paul's response is clear, "God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that he could adopt us as his very own children" (Gal 4:5). Indeed, "God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them" (2 Cor 5:19). God poured himself into human existence for our sake - for our redemption. Truly, God is in Jesus! What a miracle! What a wonder!

The incarnation of the Son in the person of Jesus, including His subsequent death, resurrection and exaltation for our salvation, is unique and unrepeatable. No substitutes or supplements are possible. Nevertheless, God desires a subsequent level of incarnation - for Christ to become incarnate in us. When Paul expresses his deep longing for spiritual progress in the Galatian churches he says it feels like he is giving birth to them again, "...until Christ is fully developed in your lives" (Gal 4:19). God's intention is that "...as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him and reflect his glory even more" (2 Cor 3:18). Furthermore, the privilege of participating in God's great redemption and being shaped into His image carries with it the solemn responsibility to pass on the message.

When Scripture says that "God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself," it adds, "this is the wonderful message he has given us to tell others" (2 Cor 5:19). God entered our world in the birth of Jesus. Now He seeks to enter it through us. Jesus becomes visible in the world as He is incarnate in us. Indeed, God is in Jesus, but Jesus is in us! What a wonder!

In the Advent season we reflect on the incarnation of Christ. As wonder and praise well up in our hearts because God became human for us in Jesus, may it be joined with a prayer that Jesus will become more and more incarnate in us for the good of all nations. Perhaps then we will realize more fully the astonishing significance of the incarnation; "God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself." God in Jesus, Jesus in us!

WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU... If you have comments or suggestions regarding the items featured in *Connection* we'd like to hear from you. A selection of letters that we receive by mail or e-mail will be considered for publication in future issues.

EXTENSION EDUCATION

	Intersession Winter Term 1999	Winter Term 1999	Spring & Summer 1999
Ottawa *St. George's Anglican Church* *152 Metcalfe St.*	BUILDING THE CHURCH THROUGH SMALL GROUPS (PAST 0644), DAVID SHERBINO JAN. 4-8, 8:30 A.M.-4:30 P.M.	UNDERSTANDING YOUR BIBLE (BIBL 0501), ALLEN CHURCHILL THURSDAY EVENINGS, JAN. 14-APR. 15, 6:30-9:30 P.M.	THE CORINTHIAN CORRESPONDENCE (NEWT 0723), EDITH HUMPHREY MONDAY EVENINGS, MAY 8-JUNE 30, 6:30-9:30 P.M.
London *North Park Community Church* *1510 Fanshawe Park Rd. E.*	THE GOOD NEWS ACCORDING TO MARK: YESTERDAY AND TODAY (NEWT 0621), STEPHEN THOMSON JAN. 4-8, 8:30 A.M.-4:30 P.M.	LEADERSHIP: A LIFELONG JOURNEY (PAST 0544), EVON HORTON SATURDAYS, JAN. 9 & 16, FEB. 13 & 20, MAR. 6 & 27, 9:30 A.M.-3:30 P.M.	ISAIAH (OLDT 0614), FRANK BYRNE SATURDAYS, (DATES TBA), 9:30 A.M.-3:30 P.M.
Oakville *Chartwell Baptist Church* *228 Chartwell Road*	ROMANS: STUDY OF THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS (NEWT 0622), ROY MATHESON JAN. 4-8, 8:30 A.M.-4:30 P.M.	FOUNDATIONS OF CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY (SPIR 0542), DAVID SHERBINO THURSDAY EVENINGS, JAN 14-APR. 23, 6:30-9:30 P.M.	LEADERSHIP: A LIFE LONG JOURNEY (PAST 0544), EVON HORTON THURSDAY EVENINGS, MAY 8-JUNE 30, 6:30-9:30 P.M.

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MTS Modular Program Update

by Donald Goertz, Director of MTS Modular Program, Professor of History of Christianity and Spirituality, Seminary

September marked a significant milestone in the short life of Tyndale's MTS Modular Program. We added our fifth cohort, our student module, bringing us to the maximum number of possible cohorts. The optimum number of 25 students for this module was achieved early on and registration for the next available cohort beginning in January is far ahead of last year.

Donald Goertz

Since each cohort develops its own unique personality, we are watching the new group with great interest. It has such potential. The students work in government, business, various professions and the arts. They bring the enthusiasm of youth and the wisdom of experience, while representing the cultural perspectives which make our city such a vital place in which to live. But all of them share one goal; they want to more effectively integrate their faith with their vocation and are prepared to devote a great deal of time and energy toward that end. For the next two and a half years they are committed to study, to wrestle with issues, and to broaden their understanding of the Good News. All of the various backgrounds and experiences that they bring will be part of the richness that will give them their fresh insights and creative edge.

As one group enters, another prepares to leave. Our first cohort, seven students, is into its final semester. They have been our experimental group, which has had its price. Yet, while the program has gone through many adjustments as a result of their experience, it has also been a remarkable journey. Like the fifth group, they brought great diversity. They learned together amidst all the stuff of life: studying, working, raising families and being involved in churches. The Modular Program's goal of integration of a faith which touches every area of life, has been in large part realized. So we begin the rhythm of education: we welcome and we commission.

Life Long Learning Seminars

Taylor-Johnson Temperament Analysis Training

Speaker: Kelvin Mutter
Date: November 21
Time: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Location: Tyndale Seminary room #102
Fee: $75 + $275 material fee
*space is limited to 20 participants

This popular seminar, lead by Kelvin Mutter, a certified T-JTA trainer, will only be offered once this year and will provide training in the administration, scoring and interpretation of the "TJTA"– one of the most helpful instruments in both individual and couple counselling in church, counselling clinic or private practice setting.

For more information on these seminars contact Patricia Webb (ext. 2709), Dean, Life Long Learning of Tyndale College & Seminary.

Ministering to the Blended Family

Speaker: Rev. Carol Smith
Date: November 28
Time: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Location: Tyndale Seminary room # 102
Fee: $75

Living in and ministering to blended families often feels like being in a blender! With a creative teaching approach, Carol Smith develops a theology for working with the blended family and introduces techniques, such as systems theory, for use in counselling individuals and family groups. Referral systems are explained and how to deal with special issues, such as family holidays and special events, are discussed. As well, Carol will suggest some preventive measures for the family and how the church can have an ongoing ministry to this type of family, with some emphasis on ministering to the special needs of children of blended families within the church setting.

REACHING US BY E-MAIL

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MTS Program Makes Dream of Theological Education a Reality for Filipino Pastor

by Rich Hutchings

When Tyndale's first graduating class of the MTS Modular Program receives its degrees in May 1999, it will mark the culmination of a long-awaited dream for Benjamin Mapa.

The 37-year-old Scarborough resident immigrated to Canada from the Philippines 14 years ago, hoping to one day seek theological education and to become involved in full-time ministry. While the pursuit of that goal has turned into a personal walk of faith, God has been faithful in opening doors each step of the way.

Benjamin accepted Christ as his Saviour 18 years ago, through the ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ, in the Philippines. At that time, he was pursuing a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering, and had a couple more years to go in his five-year degree program.

His desire to complete the engineering program soon started to wane, but his strict Catholic mother was determined that one of her 10 children would become an engineer.

Benjamin sought out the counsel of his pastor at Bethel Christian Assembly, in the Philippines, and was advised to finish his engineering degree. "He told me, 'It's better for you to be a good witness. Obey your parents, and if engineering would help you to finance your Bible college, then that's fine,'" said Benjamin.

As a result, Benjamin put in two more years studying engineering, and just prior to his graduation he was ordained as assistant pastor of Bethel, a mid-sized congregation of about 100-150. Then came the opportunity to come to Canada in 1984.

Upon arrival in Canada, Benjamin said his "main goal was to study, but I didn't know where to get the money, so I had to work as a shipper/receiver" for a uniform company, a job that he held until this past May. In the meantime, Benjamin met his wife, Maria-Fay, whom he married in 1985, and the couple now have two children, Jennifer, 10, and Kathleen, 8.

Over the years, it started to become possible to finance Benjamin's dream of theological education, thanks to his work and Maria-Fay's job at the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce. The barrier now, however, was a lack of time, as work and family commitments made it virtually impossible for Benjamin to enter full-time study.

Benjamin Mapa

Then Benjamin discovered the MTS Modular Program at Tyndale which allows students to earn an MTS degree on an evening basis in just 2 1/2 years. For Benjamin, it was the answer to years of prayer. Without the specially tailored program, there would have been no way for Benjamin to receive a theological degree, other than to quit work, which was not possible. He said he went to other seminaries and was told that no modular type programs leading to a Masters degree were offered.

"If I had to recall my first six months in the Modular Program, I barely had a good night's sleep," Benjamin says, recalling the task of juggling Masters-level study in combination with work and family commitments. On top of that, he was involved in the founding of Christ Centered Fellowship Ministries International.

Benjamin is Associate Pastor of the church, but will be formally installed as Senior Pastor on December 27 of this year. "This will be my long-awaited dream, to be in full-time ministry." Benjamin was able to quit his job as the shipper/receiver at the uniform company when his wife received a good promotion at work.

"Everyone in the company knew that I was a seminary student and I told them that I was a born-again Christian," says Benjamin. His quiet, loving witness spoke volumes when he responded to unfairly being given extra work by quietly singing hymns to himself as he complied without complaining.

A breakthrough came at the company Christmas party last year. "For the first time in the 14-year history of the company, I was asked to bless the food before we ate," says Benjamin. "I was really, really happy, because I did not hide my faith. I wanted to be salt in that community."

主耶穌道成肉身來到塵世，並非訂定政綱，招兵買馬，策動群眾，建立政治勢力，實踐其政治理想。他來，是把救恩活生生地擺在眼前，與人共享。使徒保羅曾說："我們從他受了恩惠，並使徒的職分，在萬國之中叫人為他的名信服真道，其中也有你們這蒙召屬耶穌基督的人。"(羅馬書1：5-6)

意思說，昔日無論何人，只要把神的道成為自己肉身，接受相信主，主便與他發生密切關係，使他成為最完美的人，並且得享永生！同樣今天，每當世人經歷到教會及信徒對他們的愛心，熱心關懷和優美品格時，他們就好像歷史重演，親眼看見基督的道再次活在眼前一般！這樣，以生命影響生命，直到"...萬國之中叫人為他的名信服真道..."為止。感謝神！因為在傳福音的事工上，神已呼召"你們這蒙召屬耶穌基督的人"進入天道學院/神學院接受訓練。在此，我呼籲各華人教會牧者及主內兄姊每日為他們代禱和樂於捐獻，支持他們在學院的靈性及經濟需要。（龔啟榮牧師）

Alumni Keeping in Touch

Please use this section as a prayer guide.

THE COLLEGE

THE THIRTIES

Mary Harrison ('36) still lives independently in a senior's home in Mississauga, ON.

THE FIFTIES

After serving in Egypt and Eretria, Marney Rumsey ('53) married Lorne Penner. They now do deputation work with Middle East Christian Outreach based out of their home in Ladysmith, BC.

Paul and **Margaret MacKnight (Allan '56)** are on furlough this fall and winter from their work in Italy. Pray with them for new radio equipment and for the Lord's hand in leading them back to Italy next spring.

THE SIXTIES

Pray with **Shirley Funnell** ('60) for the Tagabawa, Itawes and Romblomanon peoples of the Philippines who will receive the Scriptures in their own languages in the coming months. Shirley typesets many Scripture portions and reading aids as she serves with the publishing department of SIL-Philippines in Manila.

Carol and **Don Pickel** ('68) report that there is need for 15 new appointees to work with GMU in Europe. Don recently travelled to visit GMU's work in England, Greece, Belgium, France, Germany, Austria, Czech Republic, Italy, Spain and Morocco.

Pray for **Joy Bonikowsky (McCallum '69)** *as she recovers from surgery for cancer. Pray for* **Bill** ('70) *and their family as they support her.*

THE SEVENTIES

Chuck and Susan Pinkerton (Moffat '71) are on furlough from the Congo until January '99 when they return with AIM Air, this time to Kenya. They are spending some time this summer and fall upgrading their skills and shopping to replace items lost in the Zaire war. Support them in prayer as they serve the Lord in Africa.

Wes de Zeeuw ('72) is currently serving as the pastor of Bethel Baptist Church in Sechelt, BC.

Sue McLeod ('74) is now back in Canada after working for 23 years in other lands. She is currently bookkeeping for a manufacturer of environmental and recycling products in St. Thomas, ON. Teaching a girls' Sunday school class and serving on various church committees has helped her make an adjustment back to Canadian living.

Joyce and **Kevin Richardson** ('74) are taking a furlough from their work with SIM in Nigeria. They have asked us to pray for the Curriculum Centre in their absence.

The College **Class of '78** had a big reunion as part of the Alumni Reunion Day on October 3, 1998. Thirty-five alumni and friends gathered as part of the 70's decade reunion and then stayed for a private dinner together. Tears flowed as members of the class shared how God has worked powerfully in their lives.

Lorraine MacGregor ('78) works part-time with her own massage business, Massage for Stress Management and Your Good Health, as well as working at York University.

Ken Hurst ('79) earned his MA in Religion from Westminster Theological Seminary in 1984 and then his DMin in pastoral counselling in 1991. Until recently he worked for the Christian Counselling and Educational Foundation in Allentown, PA. Now he works as a chaplain with the rank of Captain in the United States Army where he ministers to about 550 soldiers in Savannah, GE.

THE EIGHTIES

Marilee and **Lloyd Bell** ('81) were married in 1992 and have been blessed with two children, Candace (4) and Cameron (2). Lloyd is self-employed as a bookkeeper while still involving himself in music ministry.

Pray for Suzanne and **Peter Brown** ('84) as they church plant in Paris, France. They write, "the enemy's steady resistance to our presence in the neighbourhood is, for us, a confirmation that God is going to use us in a special way." Pray for the completion of their new church building and for the cell groups now meeting to study the Bible.

Dwight (AA '85) and **Sharon DePhillippeaux (Cole '85)** are working for Christian Service Centres which operates Key Bible Clubs in public schools in southwestern Ontario. **Ron Easton** ('76) is the Program Director for Christian Service Centres. Dwight also works at his own painting business and is on relief staff at Men's Mission in London. Dwight and Sharon have three children: Jocelyne (10), Brendan (8) and Franklin (6).

Nancy (Wright '85) and **Gary Wahl** ('85) rejoice in the birth of Christopher John on May 25, 1998, brother for Stephanie (10), Jeremy (7) and Helena (3).

Lisa (Stinchcombe '85) and **David Elliott** ('86) called to let us know that David is now serving as Senior Pastor at Willowcreek Baptist Church in Midhurst, ON. They have four children: Natalie (10), Benjamin (8), Jacob (6) and Erin (4).

Correction: **Rose** and **Keith Crawford** are actually grads of '86 not '68 as was indicated in the last edition of "Alumni Keeping in Touch."

Continue to pray for Sharon and **Jim Foster** ('86) as they serve the Lord with C&MA Missions in Lebanon. Pray against the power of the evil one as he strives to overcome the new believers.

Michele Amos (Noble-Gresty '88) emailed to let us know that she and Rick are now living in Whitby, ON. Michele is a stay-at-home mom with three toddlers: Abigail (4), Joshua (3) and Rebecca (1).

Barbara and **Peter Kenniphaas** ('88) are living in Duncan, BC where Peter is now Senior Pastor at Bethel Baptist. Peter graduated this spring with his MDiv from ACTS in Vancouver. They have four children: Jonathan (7), Jordan (4), Josiah (3) and Annie (6 months).

Frank Hadzalic ('89) with others has started the Harvest Deaf Fellowship located at the Vineyard Christian Fellowship in Scarborough. Frank and his wife, Trish, are the proud parents of Sallyanne (12) and Matthew (9).

THE NINETIES

Lori (Montour AA '91) and **James Hoyes** ('91) have been blessed with a baby boy, Jacob Ethan, born on October 10, 1998.

Krista and **Andrew McGinn** ('91) and their daughter, Rebecca Suzanne, are happy to announce the arrival of Gordon Anderson on August 25, 1998.

Major **Clarence Bradbury** ('93) is now based in Toronto, ON, serving as a consultant for CORE ministry for Canada and Bermuda.

Christine (McLean '94) and **Troy DuMoulin** ('93) have been blessed with two wonderful boys, Caleb (3) and Noah (11 months).

After receiving a kidney transplant in 1996, **Kevin Liscombe** ('94) was ordained by the Presbyterian Church in Canada in 1998 into what he calls, "possibly the smallest congregation with a single point, full-time minister, with the intention that we will be second smallest next year." Pray for Kevin that God will honour his faithfulness.

Debbie Harris ('95) married Tim Scott on June 15, 1996 and they are living in Pickering, ON. Thomas John was born June 24, 1998.

Judy (McKay '96) and **Bill Jewett** ('96) are presently pastoring a Mennonite Brethren church in Campbellton, NB. Their first child, Timothy John, was born March 14, 1998.

Julie Hackett ('97) married **Jeremy Choi** ('96) on July 25, 1998 at Good Shepherd Church in Scarborough, ON.

Sue and **Matt Craig** ('98) are now living in South River, ON where they minister to youth. The ministry is growing and they are now seeking a building for a youth centre.

Cathie and **Jim Kearsley** ('98) rejoice in the birth of Isaiah James on October 5, 1998.

Donna Webster ('98) is now teaching English and Bible in South Korea.

THE SEMINARY

THE EIGHTIES

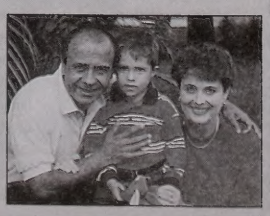
Cheryl and **Peter Hambrey** ('83) are back in Canada on a 12-month furlough, recharging their batteries after a draining term in Pakistan where they serve with SMS, evangelizing the largely Muslim population. Pray that the Lord will restore and re-create them for further service.

Patricia Luyks ('86) married Dawson Tennant in June 1996. Their son, Joseph, was born in Edmonton, March 30, 1998. The Tennants have just started an overseas assignment with Wycliffe.

Jane and **Mark Banyard** ('87) have founded Kingdom Advancement Ministries and are working with churches in the Renewal Movement in the Far East training pastors and lay people for preaching, teaching and missions. Keep them in your prayers as they manage a hectic schedule travelling to and from Japan, Australia, Hong Kong and New Zealand.

Annette and **Stephen Ford** ('87), along with their two children, Stephanie (5) and Daniel (3), are serving as church planting missionaries with the C&MA in Hungary.

Bev (Unterweger '89) and **Ruben Ramirez** ('89) visited with some Tyndale friends recently before returning to Colombia, where they serve the Lord in one of the world's most violent countries. Satanist groups have been targeting pastors and priests. Pray for Bev, Ruben and Andrew (5) that they will continue as bright and consistent lights in the darkness.



THE NINETIES

On July 19, 1997, **Paul Wright** (BRS '90; MTS '94) married Trina Gillespie. Paul is working as an accountant and Trina is working as a nanny.

Donald Shields (BRE '91; MTS '94) is pleased to announce his appointment as full-time Coordinator of Spiritual & Religious Care (chaplain), Markham-Stouffville Hospital. Since graduating from OTS, Donald has been ordained by the Evangelical Missionary Church of Canada, pastored in the inner-city at The Riverside Church, and completed Advance C.A.P.P.E. training. Donald completed a two-year residency in Chaplaincy at St. Michael's Hospital. He left his present position as half-time Chaplain at Tendercare Living Centre, a long-term care facility in Scarborough, to begin at Markham-Stouffville Hospital on October 26, 1998.

Margaret Gordon ('95) started a new position as Chaplain of Newmarket General Hospital. Pray with her for stamina, love and God's heart for this large task.

Tan Van Nguyen ('95) is serving as Pastor of Windsor Vietnamese Alliance Church.

Kenda Patton ('95) and Darcy Reimer were married August 2, 1997. Kenda has been working for the last two years at Canadian Bible College in Regina, SK as assistant to the Dean of Women while Darcy has been studying for his MDiv.

Margaret Potter ('95) is working as Assistant Pastor for Counselling and Pastoral Care for Covenant Community Church in Orangeville, ON.

Rudy Heezen ('96) is a senior account executive with Siemon Company (telecommunications). He and his wife, Anneke, celebrated their 25th anniversary in 1997.

Dave Martin ('96) married Katrine Floegel on July 4, 1998. Dave divides his time between Young Life and the youth at Woodbridge Presbyterian Church in Woodbridge, ON.

Susan and **Randy Campbell** ('97) rejoice in the birth of their son, Joshua, on September 15, 1998.

Scott Dakin ('98) is now serving as Equipping and Worship Associate at Community Bible Church in Lucan, ON. Thank God for His faithfulness to Scott and his wife, Esther, and their children Matthew (4) and Hanna (2).

MEMORIALS

James Taylor ('40), May 19, 1998.

AA denotes an associate alumni, one who completed at least one year of classes.

Thank you to everyone who calls or writes, supplying addresses for alumni records. It is very helpful to us!

Alumni News

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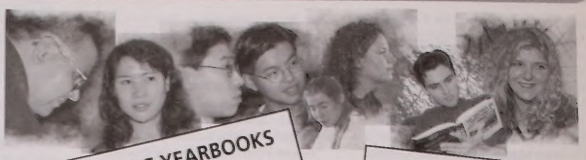
Tyndale Alumni Transition Team



by Sandy Green,
Director of Alumni Services

The College and Seminary Alumni Association Executives have been dissolved. Let me take this opportunity to thank those who have served faithfully as members of the Alumni Association. They have enriched the lives of thousands of alumni by their godly leadership and servant hearts.

In response to overwhelming alumni opinion, a new Transition Team will lead the Alumni Association through the change from two separate organizations to one alumni association. They will be deliberating on a new mission statement, events and activities, budget, executive structure, relationship to the institution, representation on the Tyndale Board of Governors and much more.

The Transition Team and the Alumni Office are your connection to the process. We solicit your input. Perhaps you would like to suggest different activities or services than those currently emphasized. Or perhaps you would like to suggest a project to unify and build up alumni involvement in the school. You may be an alumnus of another institution with a good model of alumni executive structure. Please contact Sandy in the Alumni Office or any member of the Tyndale Alumni Transition Team with your suggestions.

COLLEGE YEARBOOKS GALORE!

If you did not receive a yearbook for your graduation year, please contact Sandy in the Alumni Office. There are many copies of yearbooks for most years from 1985 onwards. We will be glad to ship them to you.

COLLEGE COMPOSITES

Class composites of the 1995, 1996, and 1997 graduates are available. Please contact Sandy to have your composite mailed to you. Seminary composites are still in progress.

ALUMNI MEMORABILIA

Donate your treasured college and seminary mementos and photos to the Tyndale Archives. Mrs. Eloise Wright will ensure that your valued pieces will receive the quality care and preservation they require. Generations to come will be able to see history through your eyes.

Distinguished Alumni

We are accepting nominations from college and seminary alumni for the Distinguished Alumni award which is presented in May. Please send Sandy the name of your nominee and a brief explanation for your nomination. Faculty at the college and seminary will vote on the finalists.

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Nominee Name: _____

Contribution to Secular and Christian Life: _____

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Nominator Name: _____

Seminars

Procrastination: When Postponing Becomes a Problem
November 18 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)

Study Skills IV: Exam Preparation
December 2 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)

Career Planning I: Finding Your Niche in a Changing World
January 21 (7-9:30 p.m.)

Career Planning II: Résumé Writing and the Job Interview
February 3 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)

Career Planning III: Interpretation of the Strong Interest/Skills Confidence Inventory (pre-registration/fee)
February 17 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)

Anger Management
February 24 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)

All seminars are located at Tyndale Seminary in room 101 and are instructed by individuals from Counselling Services. Seminars are free for students.. Pre-registration for non-students is required and a $10 fee applies. For more information, contact Brian Russell at ext. 2160.

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Job Directory

On the internet, look for a job in the career referrals under alumni at www.tyndale-canada.edu.

EMPLOYERS: let us know if you have a job to post.

Faculty and Staff Notes

COLLEGE

Janet Wright Friesen and **Dr. Paul Friesen**, Professor of History, are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Hilary Anastasia HuiLin ('Anya') on January 6th, 1998 in Shaoyang, Hunan, China and her adoption by them on the 1st of September in Changsha, Hunan, China. Hilary was baptized at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Toronto, October 28th in the presence of family, friends, and her godparents: Mark Husbands (lecturer in Theology, college), Becky Beerman Husbands and Miranda Lau.

SEMINARY

Dr. Brian Cunnington, Professor of Counselling, is currently serving as Clinical Director of the Chartwell Institute for Care and Counselling in Oakville. He attended the "Therapeutic Conversations" Conference in Toronto recently, and is participating in the year-long training intensive with the "Toronto Narrative Therapy Project." His research continues in the post-modernist paradigm for Marriage and Family Therapy.

Dr. Barbara Lai, Professor of Old Testament, attended the Association of Theological Schools' "Women in Leadership in Theological Education" meetings held in Pittsburg in October. Dr. Lai will be one of the external examiners on the panel for a thesis entitled "The Book of Ruth: A Chinese Immigrant's Perspective", at the Institute for Christian Studies this month.

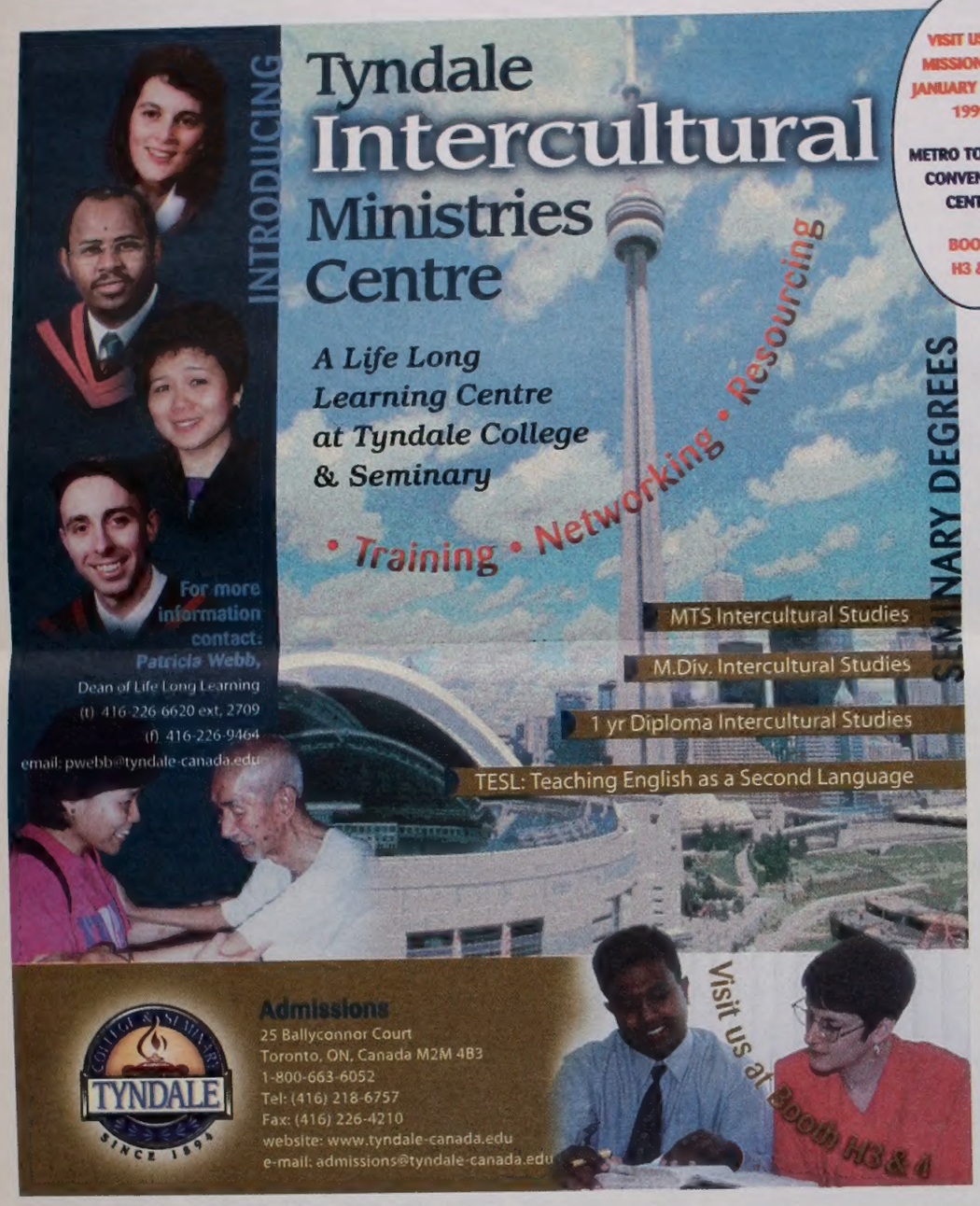
Dr. Jeffrey Greenman, Academic Dean of the Seminary, has been chosen to participate in an evangelical task group on the public character of theological education, sponsored by the Association of Theological Schools.

Both Dr. Greenman and Dr. Lai, as well as **Dr. John Vissers, Dr. John Kessler, Dr. Jim Beverley,** and several adjunct professors are attending the annual American Academy of Religion/Society for Biblical Literature meetings in Orlando this month.

During the second week of January 1999, Dr. Greenman will be participating in the Society of Christian Ethics annual conference in Phoenix. Immediately prior to that, he is also representing Tyndale Seminary at the InterVarsity Christian Fellowship conference, "Following Christ: Shaping Our World" in Chicago between Christmas and the New Year.

Rev. Don Goertz, Professor of History of Christianity and Spirituality, will also be attending the IVCF conference to promote the MTS Modular Program. He represented Tyndale Seminary at the fourth annual "Christians in the Workplace" conference with the Ontario IVCF at Muskoka Baptist Conference Centre in November.

Dr. David Sherbino, Professor of Pastoral Studies, attended the Willow Creek Association "Church Leadership" Conference in Chicago in October. He will be teaching the "Building the Church Through Small Groups" course in Ottawa during the January 1999 Intersession Week.



Prepared to Go?

The TIM Centre can help you!

The Tyndale Intercultural Ministries (TIM) Centre in cooperation with Missionary Internship (Canada) is offering the following courses in 1999 for people embarking on ministry in another culture:

- Culture and Language Learning Workshop (February 8-23)
- 3-day orientation for short term Christian Workers (May 6-8 and November 11-13)
- 2-week SPLICE (Spiritual Resources, Personal Growth, Language, Interpersonal Skills, Cultural Adjustment, Enjoyment/Endurance) (July 6-20)
- 2-week PILAT - Program in Language Acquisition Techniques (after Labour Day)

For more information, contact Mr. Bob Morris, Associate Director, TIM Centre (416) 226-6620 ext. 2708.

Attention Health Care Professionals

To supplement our Employee Benefit's package we would like to provide Tyndale faculty and staff with a list of health care professionals who are able to provide excellent quality health care at a discount rate. If you are interested in providing health care services at a discount to Tyndale faculty and staff, we want to hear from you. This is a great opportunity for us to join together in supporting the ministry of Tyndale.

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Stewardship Matters

Someday someone else will own everything you call yours.

As stewards, we have a requirement to manage the resources God has entrusted to our care. As Christians, we are commanded to be good stewards of these resources. In Proverbs 13:22 it says, "A good man leaves an inheritance for his children's children..."

A Bequest is Good Stewardship

One way we can effectively manage the resources that God has given us is to effectively plan for the future, which includes Estate planning.

Your Will is an important document which details your wishes for the distribution of your assets.

Aside from all of the legal details that are an important part of your Will, it is essentially comprised of 'bequests.' A bequest is a "gift of assets other than real estate made through a Will." A Will allows you to bequeath specific property or sums of money to loved ones and to organizations whose mission and vision you believe in.

A big part of being a good steward is to determine where God would have you invest your resources so He will receive the honour. As you take the time to plan your Estate, you will be demonstrating the traits of stewardship.

We can assist you in planning your Estate.
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